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SUBJ: ISVS COUNCIL MEETING

- 1. ISVS COUNCIL MET YESTERDAY. US POSITION WAS PRESENTED ORALLY AND CONFIRMED IN WRITING IN LETTER, DELIVERED THIS MORNING TO CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: AT THE SPECIAL ISVC COUNCIL MEETING YESTERDAY, DEC 17, 1975, THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN WAS PRESENTED AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. THE UNITED STATES AFFIRMED THE POSITION TAKEN BY THE US IN THE LETTER DATED AUG 1, 1974 TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL, ISVS. IN THAT LETTER THE UNITED STATED STATED THAT THE US WOULD MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT OF ISVC IN THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1975 AND THEREAFTER WOULD MAKE NO FURTHER SUPPORT PAYMENTS.
- 2. THE EFFECT OF THAT LETTER IS TO GIVE NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE COUNCIL. THEREFORE, IN VIEW OF ITS SPECIAL WITHDRAWAL STATUS, THE US WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN GENERAL DEBATE AND WOULD ABSTAIN FROM VOTING, BUT UNCLASSIFIED

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WAS PRESENT BECAUSE OF ITS INTEREST IN VOLUNTEERISM

AND FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF PROVIDING INFORMATION TO THE MEMBERS.

3. FOR THE INFO OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS,
THE US STATED THAT IT WILL NOT MAKE FURTHER
ORGANIZATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ISVC WHETHER
OR NOT THE ISVS IS REORGANIZED. HOWEVER, THE US
TAKES NO POSITION ON WHETHER THE ISVS SHOULD BE
CONTINUED, REORGANIZED OR TERMINATED. IN VIEW OF
THE NOTICE GIVEN BY THE US OF ITS TERMINATION
OF MEMBERSHIP, IT WOULD BE PRESUMPTIONS OF THE
UNITED STATES TO GIVE ADVICE ON THAT POINT. THAT
IS A DECISION FOR THE PRESENT MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

4. IF THE COUNCIL SHOULD DECIDE TO CONTINUE THE ISVS EITHER AS IT NOW IS OR AS REORGANIZED, THE US, FROM TIME TO TIME, MAY WANT TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE ISVS IN SPECIFIC PROJECTS. IF THE COUNCIL SHOULD DECIDE TO TERMINATE THE ISVS, THE US WOULD LIKE TO DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE MODES OF COOPERATION WITH MEMBER COUNTRIES, EITHER THROUGH THE UN VOLUNTEER PROGRAM OR DIRECTLY. THE INTEREST OF THE UNITED STATES IN VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS WILL CONTINUE.

5.IN THE EVENT THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD DECIDE TO TERMINATE ISVS, THE UNITED STATES CANNOT ACCEPT ANY RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARD THE LIQUIDATION OF THE DEBTS OF THE ISVS.
THE UNITED STATES APPRECIATES YOUR COUNTESIES AND WILL LOOK FORWARD TO COOPERATION WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OR DIRECTLY WITH INTERESTED NATIONS IN FUTURE VOLUNTEER EFFORTS. SINCERLY, HARRY HOGAN, DELEGATE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. END QUOTE.

2. WE ARE NOT PARTICIPATING FURTHER IN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS, US MISSION HERE WILL REPORT ON DEVELOPMENTS. DALE

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